

Harbor Seal Monitoring Updates



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Harbor Seal Counts, weekly

Some time during this week and next week we should see the peak amount of pups at all sites. The pup numbers are looking lower than previous years but we'll know for sure once the peak is over. As of April 24th, Drakes Estero and Double Point have the largest amount of pups recorded in 2010, with 194 and 202 respectively. Both sites more than doubled their respective pup numbers in a week. The total number of pups recorded at Marin County locations as of April 24th was approximately 600.



Photo: Harbor seals at Drakes Estero

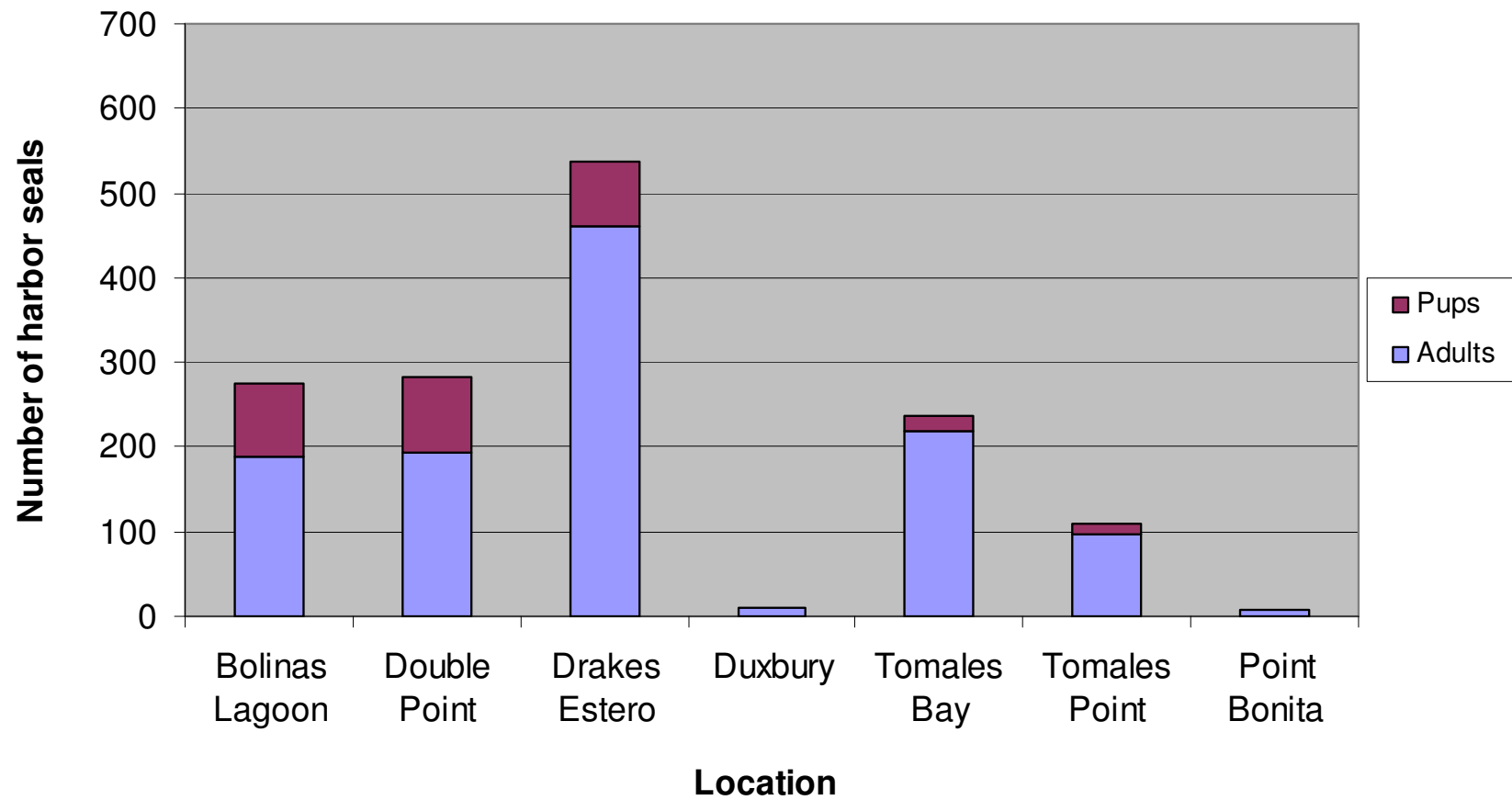
Harbor Seal Counts, regional surveys

During the regional survey of April 17, almost 1,900 seals were observed throughout the Marin County locations with 18% of those being pups. During the April 24th regional survey weekend, all sites saw an increase in animals and over 2,400 seals were recorded, 26% of those being pups.

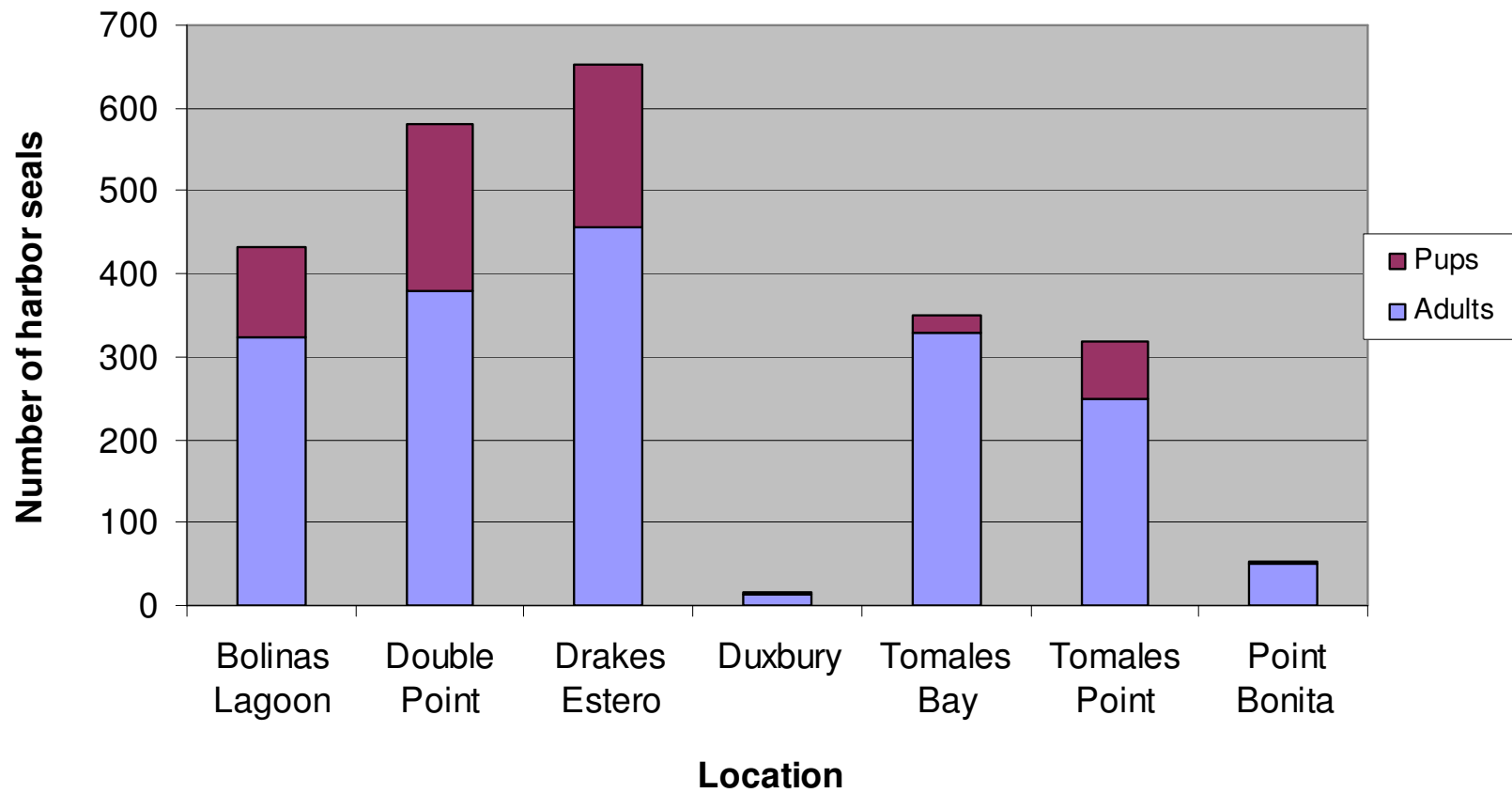


Photo: Pup training at Drakes Estero

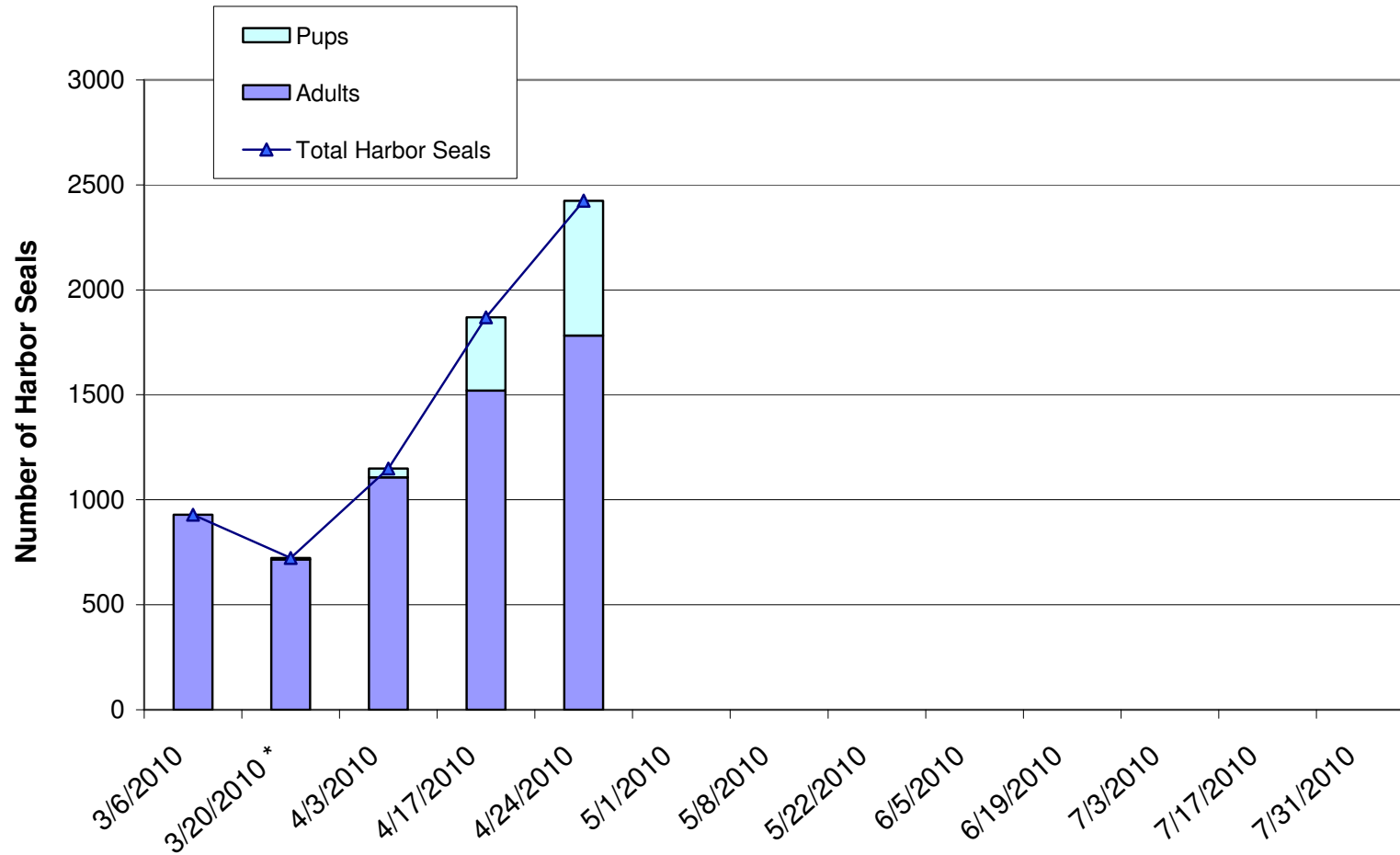
Weekly Summary of Harbor Seal Max Counts (4/11/10 - 4/17/10) (Preliminary Data)



Weekly Summary of Harbor Seal Max Counts (4/18/10 - 4/24/10) (Preliminary Data)



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